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**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING AUDIO FROM VARIOUS SOURCES**

the specification of which:

☒ [ X ] is attached hereto.

☐ [ ] was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as serial no.  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

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<u>U.S. Provisional Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the Filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international Filing date of this application.

<u>Application Serial No.</u>	<u>Date of Filing</u>	<u>Status</u> <u>patented, pending abandoned</u>

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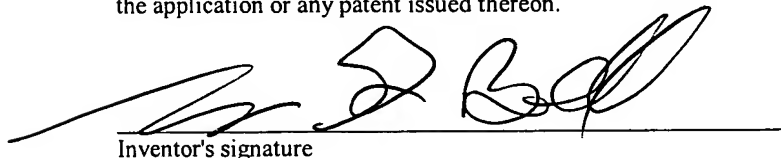
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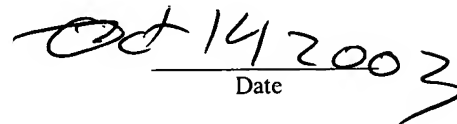
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